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SUBJECT: SOVIET AMBASSADOR ZORIN ON HUMAN RIGHTS

SUMMARY: MAY 4 EDITION OF WEEKLY LITERATURNAYA GAZETA
CARRIES A LENGTHY INTERVIEW WITH SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE 33RD SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
(UNHRC), AMB. YURIY ZORIN. ZORIN OSTENSIBLY SUMMARIZES
THE WORK OF THE 33RD UNHRC, BUT BY GIVING TENDENTIOUS
ANSWERS TO THE LEADING QUESTIONS OF THE INTERVIEWER, HE
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MANAGES TO TURN THE WHOLE ACCOUNT INTO AN ATTACK ON THE
HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES OF THE U.S. (AND TO A LESSER
EXTEND, OF ISRAEL). END SUMMARY.

1. ZORIN DEVOTES THE BULK OF HIS REMARKS TO DIS-
CUSSING THE UNHRC'S TREATMENT OF ISRAELI POLICIES IN
THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN

AFRICA (WITH PARTICULAR REGARD TO NAMIBIA), AND THE INEQUITIES OF THE PINOCHET REGIME IN CHILE. ON THE LAST TOPIC, ZORIN WAXES ELOQUENTLY ABOUT THE DISAVOWAL BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF U.S. REPRESENTATIVE BRADY TYSON'S REMARKS ON CHILE.

2. IN PASSING ZORIN ALSO NOTES UNHRC DISCUSSION OF THE "DICTATORIAL REGIME" IN SOUTH KOREA - SUPPORTED BY THE OCCUPYING TROOPS OF THE U.S., THE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OF PANAMA OVER THE CANAL ZONE, AND THE ELIMINATION OF AMERICAN DOMINION OVER THE TERRITORY OF PUERTO RICO.

3. ZORIN GOES ON AT GREAT LENGTH ABOUT U.S. REP LOWENSTEIN'S EFFORT TO INQUIRE INTO SOVIET TREATMENT OF ITS OWN PROPONENTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. LABELLING SUCH EFFORTS, WHICH CONCERN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE USSR, AS CONTRARY TO ARTICLE 2 OF THE UN CHARTER, ZORIN DESCRIBES THE BACKGROUND OF THE ANTI-SOVIET CAMPAIGN WAGED BY THOSE IN THE SOVIET UNION WHO VIOLATED SOVIET LAW AND MAINTAINED TIES WITH "REPRESENTATIVES OF FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE - WHO TOOK COVER BEHIND TITLE OF CORRESPONDENTS AND DIPLOMATIC WORKERS OF FOREIGN EMBASSIES, IN PARTICULAR OF U.S. EMBASSY IN MOSCOW." LOWENSTEIN'S EFFORT, SAYS ZORIN, COULD HAVE LED TO DAMAGE TO CAUSE OF DETENTE, BUT WAS REBUFFED BY UNHRC.

4. ZORIN CONCLUDES BY STATING THAT SOVIET DIPLOMATS AT NEXT, 34TH SESSION OF UNHRC HAVE SERIOUS STRUGGLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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